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TOPIC Garz and Peenemuende Airfields

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1. On 31 December 1951, six American fighters, which were referred to as "Aero-Cobras" by a Russian, were observed at Garz airfield. Additional aircraft of the same type were at the field up to mid-December 1951. The aircraft which were shipped via Swinemuende were allegedly to be salvaged because no spare parts were available. Three twin-engine planes and two biplanes which were also at the field were used for meteorological purposes. A transport flew between Kolberg and Garz several times a week at irregular intervals. *
2. Between 28 December 1951 and 12 January 1952, Peenemuende airfield was not occupied by aircraft of flying personnel. There was only a Soviet guard detail which consisted of 1 captain and 20 EM. **

* Comment. Garz airfield is assigned to the Soviet Naval Air Force. It appears that the field is not occupied by a fully equipped air unit. A jet fighter regiment which, according to press reports, is said to be located at the field has not been reported.

** Comment. According to previous reports, Peenemuende airfield was apparently turned over by the Twenty-Fourth Air Army to the Soviet Naval Air Force in mid-November 1951, after a fighter regiment was transferred from Peenemuende to Pustitz.

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